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Lewis, Patrick

From: Horlick, Ken
Sent: Monday, October 04, 2004 9:32 AM
To: Lewis, Patrick
Subject: RE: 112-2 Question (10/661,495)

This is standard methodology and terminology, so I don't see any 112, 2 problems...

Ken

-----Original Message-----
From: Lewis, Patrick
Sent: Sunday, October 03, 2004 4:24 PM
To: Horlick, Ken
Subject: 112-2 Question (10/661,495)

Hello,

I'm an examiner in art unit 1623 and my SPE (James Wilson) informed me that you may be familiar with nucleic acid purification and suggested I get your opinion on whether to make a 112-2 rejection. Here's the claim in question:

28. A nucleic acid purification method using a tip incorporating a solid phase containing a nucleic acid capturing agent, comprising the steps of: contacting a nucleic acid containing solution with a solid phase; discharging the nucleic acid containing solution outside the tip; contacting a washing solution with the solid phase; discharging the washing solution outside the tip; and discharging air into the tip after discharging washing solution to that remaining liquid is discharged.

My primary concern is that the claim does not state if/when the nucleic acid is collected or if it remains bound to the solid phase. The claim is unclear to me, but would it be understood by one of ordinary skill in the art? Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Patrick Lewis
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